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REMARKS

In the Office Action, Examiner Ekong rejected pending claims 1-19 on various grounds. The Applicant responds to each rejection as subsequently recited herein, and respectfully requests reconsideration and further examination of the present application under 37 CFR § 1.112.

Rejections under §102(e)

Claims 1, 2, 4-11, and 13-19 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) A. as being anticipated by U.S. Publication No. 2004/0142678 A) to Krasner.

To warrant this anticipation rejection, Krasner must teach each element of those claims. See, MPEP §2131. The Applicant respectfully traverses this anticipation rejection of the remaining claims for the reasons stated below.

Krasner does not disclose "detecting a wireless access point with a vehicle telematics device," as claimed in claims 1, 10, and 19. At most, Krasner discloses transmitting a message via a wireless link (Abstract, Krasner), and not detecting a wireless access point with a vehicle telematics device. Therefore, Krasner cannot anticipate claims 1, 10 or 19, nor claims 2, 4-9, 11, or 13-19 depending directly or indirectly from one of claims 1 or 10.

Withdrawal of the rejection of claims 1, 10 and 19 under 35 USC §102(e) as being anticipated by Krasner is therefore respectfully requested.

Additionally, Krasner does not disclose a method or medium wherein data is pre-packaged at the service provider for compatibility with a wireless access point protocol, as claimed in claims 9 and 18.

Withdrawal of the rejections of claims 2, 4-11, and 13-19 under 35 USC §102(e) as being annicipated by Krusner is therefore respectfully requested.

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B. Claims 3 and 12 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Krasner in view of U.S. Publication No. 2004/0198255 A1 to Hayashida.

To warrant this obviousness rejection of claims 3 and 12, Krasner and Hayashida in combination must teach each limitation of those claims, in as great detail as claimed. (See MPEP §2143.) The Applicant respectfully traverses this obviousness rejection of claims 3 and 12.

Claim 3 depends from claim 1, and claim 12 depends from claim 10.

Therefore, claims 3 and 12 are patentable over the combination of Krasner and Hayashida for at least the same reasons as outlined with respect to claims 1 and 10.

Additionally, *Hayashida* does not teach or suggest receiving a response to a polling message.

Withdrawal of the rejections of claims 3 and 12 under 35 USC §103(a) as being obvious over *Krasner* in view of *Hayashida* is therefore respectfully requested.

C. New Claim 20

The prior art does not disclose, teach, or suggest each and every element of claim 20, and therefore claim 20 is patentable over the prior art. Additionally, claim 20 depends from claim 1, and is therefore patentable for at least the same reasons as claim 1.

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SUMMARY

The Applicant respectfully submits that claims 1-20 as listed herein fully satisfy the requirements of 35 U.S.C. §§ 102, 103 and 112. In view of the foregoing, favorable consideration and passage to issue of the present application is respectfully requested. If any points remain at issue that may best be resolved through a personal or telephonic interview, Examiner Ekong is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

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